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HONGKONG, 7TH SEPTEMBER, 1903

On Saturday, at a special meeting of the Sanitary Board here, the port of Shanghai was declared infected with cholera. It was with great reluctance, it may well be understood, that this measure was adopted, though it has been clear for over a week now that such a step would have been taken, except in the most improbable event of news reaching us from our Northern neighbour that the disease has ceased to trouble European residents there. Merchants and shipping men here, as might be imagined, are most loth to see any restrictions placed upon free intercourse between Shanghai and Hongkong. They very naturally point out that a certain amount of cholera, or, as some claim, a sickness resembling cholera, prevails annually in Shanghai, doing little harm outside the native city. It has therefore been urged that we should be very slow in Hongkong to put Shanghai into quarantine. The argument about the injury done to commerce by a sanitary embargo against one of our largest customers must be recognised as powerful. Yet we feel bound to commend the action of the Sanitary Board, which in fact we recommended a week ago. The terrible dangers following on the introduction of epidemic cholera into Hongkong will be disputed by none. We had an experience of the ravages of the disease last year, and have no desire to see the possibility of a recurrence treated lightly. It cannot be denied that, while bubonic plague is deadly enough, cholera is more fatal still to the community in general, both here and in all parts of the East. Hence we cannot be too careful to minimise the opportunities of its introduction into

Hongkong, even if it be at some expense to commerce and shipping.

It is far from our intention to advocate retaliatory measures, but we must point out that the port of Hongkong, where a single Chinese case of plague has occurred in nine days, is quarantined still by Manila, Netherlands India, Singapore, Rangoon, Shanghai, Siam, Indo-China, and British North Borneo and Labuan, as the last Government Gazette testifies. Yet we hesitate to declare a port infected when a disease far more deadly to Europeans and equally fatal to Asiatics has made its presence most distinctly felt. Supposing that no further plague cases occur here, and that gradually, in the course of one to three months, we are freed by the neighbouring ports from quarantine on account of plague: can we imagine that, were cholera to be introduced here from Shanghai and were it to obtain any slight hold, we should not be immediately laid under a ban once more by our neighbours for the new disease? The answer is obvious, and it therefore seems to us extremely short-sighted to neglect any means of keeping cholera out of our midst, for fear of damaging commerce, when the smallest suspicion of an outbreak of cholera here would condemn Hongkong to restrictions in other ports which would at least last until plague begins again, as there is no reason to hope that it will not, next year. There is every cause for us to be wise in time and do our utmost to save the Colony from a course which threatens it with far more loss, pecuniary and otherwise, than any small damage inflicted by the restriction of intercourse between us and Shanghai.

No more plague cases were reported up to noon on Saturday.

The German mail of the 6th ult. was delivered in London on the 4th inst.

A substantial match has been put up at Happy Valley for the accommodation of the Civil Service Cricket Club.

A practice game took place on the Cricket Ground on Saturday afternoon, with eleven players in the field, though there were not enough present to make up the complete sides.

A coolie died on Friday afternoon in the E. & A. Trading Co.'s godown, S. Praya, Kennedytown, as the result of a fall from plank on which he was standing 16 feet above the ground.

Saturday was a festival day with the Chinese, and in many instances the glare resultant from the burning of huge heaps of joss-paper in the bye-streets suggested that a big fire had broken out somewhere. But the Brigade was not called out at any time during the night.

Both the Happy Valley and the polo-ground at Causeway Bay were partly under water yesterday and the evening rains make the situation still worse. From the New Territory news as early as Friday reported many districts under water and snipe scarce. Few shooting parties consequently were out, and those that were suffered.

Complaints are being made just now about the systematic thefts of dogs' collars from dogs that are allowed to go about unattended. The only way to prevent this will be for owners to put collars made of brass or some such material on their dogs' necks, so that the Chinese thieves will not be able to cut the collars off. At the same time it is suggested that there are other dog-stealers besides Chinese in the Colony.

The match at the Bowring Green, Kowloon, on Saturday afternoon, between teams representing Kowloon and Kowloon Dock, was postponed owing to the death of Mr. Russell, an employee at the Dock. Mr. Russell, who had only been about six months in the Colony, was seized with tertian fever and died on Saturday morning in the Government Civil Hospital after about five days' illness. His wife and family are at home. The deceased, who was about 35 years of age, was buried at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon.

It is a common spectacle at the flower market in Wyndham Street to see intending purchasers, especially ladies, surrounded by a dozen or so flower-vendors, each one pressing on the prospective buyer the superiority of his own wares to the accompaniment of a clustering that is bewildering in the extreme. Of late, however, the police have been endeavouring to put a stop to this annoying practice, and with good results; the summary seizure and destruction of the bouquets and wreaths belonging to the sellers guilty of such misdemeanours should serve them a lesson for their better behaviour in the future.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that H. E. the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following Sanitary Inspectors to be Inspectors of Nuisances under the Sale of Foods and Drugs Ordinance, 1896:—M. Grice, A. Carter, P. T. Lambe, J. A. Lyon, T. F. Conolly, J. Reidie, F. Fisher, L. E. Brett, W. H. Woolley, F. Allen, W. F. Fincher, H. J. W. Gidley II, J. Knight, E. Rogers, G. Hoggarth, C. W. T. Brett, D. J. McKenney, A. Brown, P. O'Donnell, D. O'Keefe, W. F. Calfee, C. H. J. Ross, S. M. Gidley, J. B. Lee, S. Kelly, J. S. W. Brown, M. W. Cleveland, F. C. Amy, R. Duncan, R. C. Mitchell, F. Jones, W. Robert, J. Williamson, G. Sims, A. Gordon, A. Watson, R. McEwan, and J. T. Colton.

The heat at Tokyo was recently registered at 103 degrees all through the night!

The Rev. E. Makoham, formerly of Hongkong, who has been in charge of the Seamen's Institute at Kobe for the last five years, is leaving the Far East to take up work in the diocese of Perth, Western Australia.

Replying last month to a telegram asking whether it was proposed to put a tax on raw cotton from foreign countries while exempting that grown in the British Empire, Mr. Chamberlain has telegraphed that it is absolutely untrue to say that he has proposed any such thing. He had publicly repudiated a tax on raw materials.

Amongst the passengers by the French mail which reached Marseilles at the beginning of August was Prince Sisavang of Laos, who stated to be a cousin of the King of Siam. He was on a mission to M. Delessus, and according to French papers was charged by the King of Siam to state that Siam wants to live on friendly terms with France.

The *Kai-pan* and two other Chinese cruisers, we understand, are standing by the wreck of the *Wong Tai*, which sank after her collision with the *Empress of India*, and salvaging operations are being carried on. Mr. D. E. Brown, local agent of the C. P. R. Co., who proceeded to Shanghai last week in connection with the collision case, is returning on the *Empress of Japan* to-morrow.

The important work of exploring the Laos states bordering on Siam, of which not much is known, has just been largely added to on behalf of the French Government. The credit of this achievement belongs to M. Ajalbert, who has spent three years in those regions and has now returned to Paris to write a report. Fortunately, though the population is almost excessively sparse, it is not greatly anti-foreign, and M. Ajalbert has suffered from nothing worse than hardships of travel, scant diet, and river water full of infinite possibilities in the way of cholera.

The Singapore community has decided, at an unanimous meeting of representative residents, to offer to Sir Frank Swettenham in connection with his approaching departure to Europe an entertainment from the civilian community of Singapore, as a mark of public appreciation of his services to the Straits Settlements. It was suggested that the entertainment should take the form of a banquet, to be followed, not necessarily on the same evening, by a reception and dance. Sir Frank Swettenham has since accepted the invitation of the community, and the entertainments will be given early in October.

The following returns of the average amount of bank-notes in circulation and of specie in reserve in Hongkong, during August are certified by the managers of the respective banks:—

Banks.	Average Specie in Amount.	Reserve.
Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China.	3,975,219	1,800,000
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.	11,131,377	7,000,000
National Bank of China, Limited.	49,567	150,000
Total.	\$14,937,033	88,950,000

The following is the programme of music to be played by the band and pipes of the 33rd Burma Infantry on the New Parade Ground to-day, from 5 to 6.30 p.m.:—

BAND PROGRAMME.—
 March... "Marche de Toreros,"..... Godard
 Entr'acte ... "La Lettre de Manon,"..... Gillet
 Selection ... "The Mikado,"..... Sullivan
 Song "The Catterpillar and the Rose,"..... E. Carey
 Selection "... The Runaway Girl,"..... Ivan Caryl
 Waltz "Promier Printemps,"..... Margis
 FIFE PROGRAMME.—
 March... "The Burning of the Piper's Hut,"..... Margis
 March... "Her Majesty's Welcome,"..... Hensel-Dickich
 March... "The Earl of Mansfield,"..... Margis
 March... "And we will yo-yo,"..... Margis
 March... "John Bain Mackenzie's Highlanders,"..... God Save the King."

The Rev. E. F. Wills writes from the London Missionary Society at Hankow:—Public opinion in China with regard to foreign nations is, I think, expressed clearly in an examination question recently set. The examination was for the B.A. degree, held in a prefecture of Hupeh, some 200 miles away from Hankow. The question runs somewhat as follows:—“When the teachings of the Philosopher Mencius all should love one another with the adherence of the people, then soldiers refused to go to war. The State Churches of Western Europe are somewhat similar in their teaching, but when their armies and navies receive the order to go to war they all eagerly compete to be first in the fight, resulting in a slaughter of the enemy. What is the reason of this?”

The *Singapore Free Press* writes:—“Professor” Richard, the quack who about eight years ago by means of an electrical machine and many loud pretensions, extracted numerous fat fees from Singapore Chinamen, has been trying on his little games elsewhere and been found out. A Ceylon paper mentions that “Professor” Richard after a considerable sojourn in Calcutta, was warned by the authorities to leave—he had to leave Colombo in the same way last year—and he passed through Colombo this week on his way to England, alleging that he intends to prosecute the *Singapore Free Press* for libel and to “explain” to *Truth* the charges against him. He has a big job before him. But the first thing he ought to do is to try to square up his police record which a Newcastle paper published, to the tune of over a column, just shortly after the “Professor” left Singapore for Shanghai. We had the pleasure of passing that police record on to both the Singapore police and the Shanghai police, for their information. “Professor” Richard will not return to the Far East.

A shipment of five million dollars, in paper money, left San Francisco for Manila on the 1st inst.

Lient. Blackford, a British officer brought up on a charge of cheating, has been sentenced by the magistrate at Bangalore (Mysore) to six weeks' simple imprisonment. The case excited much attention in India.

The last week's record at Singapore, as given in papers of the 29th ult., shows that 207 deaths were registered, 46 of which were due to fever. There were six deaths from cholera and the mortality rate per thousand was 44.26.

The following is given under the “By the Way” heading in the *Globe*:—Chinese Honours List:—“A prediction is current in official circles that Su's name will be included in the autumn list of those condemned to execution.” We trust that he is destined to high honour. Six Chinese scholars who wrote brilliant essays in a recent examination denouncing the Government have left hurriedly for the woods. They are nervous about the *Vita Voce*.

The official trial trip of the new twin-screw steamer *Moldavia*, built and engined by Messrs. Caird and Co., of Greenwich, for the P. and O. Company, took place on the Clyde on the 30th July. The *Moldavia* is 540 ft. in length, 58 ft. in breadth, and 46 ft. in depth, with a gross register of 10,000 tons. Her equipment is in excess of Lloyd's highest class, and in the arrangements for passengers, for whom there is accommodation for 350 first saloon and 170 second saloon, everything is up-to-date and of the most luxurious description. The *Moldavia* is propelled by two sets of triple-expansion engines to indicate 12,000-horse power.

The *Petit Parisien* states that the experiments of firing from the fore-turret of the French cruiser *Sainty* (which is to come out here) are to be repeated at Brest. In addition to six sheep, a number of birds of different kinds will be in the turret at the time of firing. The majority of French artillery officers are of opinion that those experiments with animals are useless, as men are able to bear, without injury, that which would seriously affect a sheep; while, on the other hand, men have been knocked down and bruised by the recoil of the gun and the consequent displacement of the turret on its axis, when such disturbances would not overturn a four-footed animal. The French Minister of Marine is expected to be present at the new experiments.

The German Consul-General at Shanghai, Dr. Kuappe, recently sent home a report as to the statistics of German vessels in the Chinese ports of Shanghai and Woosung. It appears that only the British flag very considerably surpasses the German flag in Chinese waters, whereas China and Japan can hardly compete any longer against Germany. From the report it transpires that in 1902 it is all 47 steamers of German nationality arrived in Chinese ports, measuring in all 819,734 tons, and that 481 German steamers left China, measuring in all 821,781 tons. The volume under the British flag amounted to 2,800,000 tons. German sailing vessels did not come in to any Chinese port in 1902. It also appears from the report that the Hamburg-America Line and the Norddeutscher Lloyd are more and more supplanting all other German steam trade in Chinese waters.

The religious festivities at Sarroff near Odessa in connection with the canonisation of the new Russian saint, St. Sophronius, drew to that locality a vast concourse of devout Russians of all classes, from the Imperial head of the State to the humblest peasant. The number is variously estimated at from 300,000 to 600,000. Little or no adequate provision seems to have been made in the district for the feeding of these hundreds of thousands of pilgrims, many of whom have for several days been suffering keen privation. The supply of bread especially, the principal food of the majority of the poorer pilgrims, is lamentably inadequate. It is the old story in Russia—utter want of rational organisation. The papers are full of accounts, many of them not lacking in extravagance, of extraordinary miracles performed at the shrine of the new saint. According to “witnesses on the spot,” the blind are made to see, the lame to walk, the infirm are cured of their hitherto incurable ailments. Intense religious enthusiasm seems to prevail in the vicinity. Had a similar thing happened in China, what moral should not have been drawn about heathen ignorance?

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Ten minutes after the *Argonaut*, the battleship *Albion* left her moorings yesterday for Weihsien.

The gunboats *Bramble* and *Britomart* came in practice on Friday evening.

H.M.S. *Pique*, Capt. H. C. Reynolds, was paid off at Devonport on the 4th ult.

H.M.S. *Goliath*, on her way home from this station, encountered a monsoon 300 miles from Soozera. The sea was running to an unparalleled degree, and her torpedo-nets were carried away. Fortunately there were no casualties. The *Goliath* owed her safety to her tonnage. A smaller vessel would have fared badly.

TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S SERVICE.

THE BALKAN TROUBLES.

LONDON, 3rd September.

The *Perle*, in a Note to the Embassies and Legations in Constantinople, warns them that agitators project outrages on the Embassies, Legations and other public buildings. The Porte has taken precautionary measures and requested the heads of the Missions to do likewise.

A rising on an extensive scale is expected in a very few days in Northern Macedonia, but at present the insurgents are moving very cautiously.

LATER.

Turkish official reports state that three Bulgarian bands were defeated with heavy loss on Tuesday.

LONDON, 4th September, Prince Ferdinand presided at an important Bulgarian Cabinet Council at Environgrad: the result of the deliberations is anxiously awaited at Sofia.

LATER.

The American Minister at Constantinople cabled that some European Powers have landed Marines at Constantinople and the Americans will do likewise if necessary.

THE KING'S VISIT TO VIENNA.

LONDON, 3rd September. The King has left Vienna. It is believed that his conferences with the Emperor will exercise a potent pacifying influence on the Macedonian question.

THE "AMERICA" CUP.

NEW YORK, 3rd September. The *Reliance* has successfully defended the Cup, winning all three races.

LATER.

The course was 15 miles to windward and return. The *Reliance* started with a slight lead which she steadily increased, and retaining the windward position for the first leg, led by a mile at the outer mark; in returning home the lead was rapidly increased to two miles half-way from the finish when the wind was nine knots. The finish was not visible from the shore owing to fog. The *Shamrock* was about three miles behind.

RUSSIA.

SPORTING NOTES.

THE INTERPORT CRICKET TEAM.

On Saturday afternoon practice on the Cricket Ground with a view to the coming Interport match took more definite shape, some dozen or so of the selected candidates taking part in a regular game on the pitch. Naturally, seeing that a couple of days at the nets is all that batsmen and bowlers have had so far, the game was one which does not call for detailed criticism. But a few notes on such play as was to be witnessed may be of interest. It cannot be said that there was much enthusiasm exhibited on Saturday. Batting and bowling alike were rather spiritless, while the fielding was most palpably lacking in smartness. To the latter remark an exception must be made in favour of Turner and Pearce, who both of them seemed to realize the importance of throwing in promptly and straight. The other players showed a singular lack of energy, not going after possible saves from a boundary, staying in half-volleys to the wicket-keeper, and failing to back up in proper style. As for the batting, Smith showed fair form and hit hard, but he (and other hard hitters) must remember that the boundaries at Shanghai are very different indeed from ours and that an uphill stroke, which here goes for a fourer, in Shanghai will probably lodge nicely in the hands of an out-fielder. All the bats displayed laziness between the wickets, not attempting to run his out if there was a chance of a boundary. This is a disastrous policy, for at Shanghai, where the ground is very much larger than ours, boundaries are hard to get and a batsman who cannot run between the wickets will sacrifice runs after runs. A score of 20 at Shanghai will be as tiring to run up as an 80 or 100 on our little ground. Moreover there is a hot and dry wicket to be looked forward to almost certainly.

The point of utmost importance is that our team wants coaching by an experienced player. Whatever side may be chosen, it must be raw as far as interport cricket is concerned. Why cannot a player like Mr. Sercombe Smith or one of the other old Interport representatives be persuaded to take the team in hand and polish it up, pointing out mistakes, giving advice as to differences of conditions at Shanghai, etc.? Surely one of the former upholders of Hongkong's name can be found to devote a little time and trouble to this work. There is so little time to lose that it should be taken in hand at once. In particular, the coach should insist on the differences between fielding here and in Shanghai, for good fielding will make an in-calculable difference.

The remark about the shortness of time before the team starts on its way north applies with force to the duties of captain. It is absolutely essential that the captain, whoever he is to be, should get to know his men and their peculiarities thoroughly. This was not the case at the last Interport contest at Hongkong, as is sufficiently well-known. Haphazard leadership only courts disaster. Especially in the management of the bowling is experience command required; change bowlers must not be mere ventures, as is sure to happen unless their real capacities are known.

FOOCHOW.

The following items are from the Foochow Echo of the 29th ult.:

The weather at the close of the month appears to be settled, which is more than could have been said of it any day since it opened. A break in the summer heat is looked for in August, but the break in August this year was more marked than usual. In the intervals of typhoon we had threatening of fresh ones. Altogether the month, as far as the weather goes, has been disagreeable. The builders have had the only class who have appreciated it; they have had a distinctly good time of it.

The tea market remains in the same quiet state as for some weeks past. Business has no doubt been checked by the continuous rising exchange though to some extent, in Congon at any rate, by the smallness of the stock offering. The arrivals of Congon to date, namely 163,000 half-chests, show a falling off of 60,000 half-chests as compared with last year. The supply of Oolong, however, is in excess of last year by 35,000 half-chests. In the absence of business this last named description the unsold stock has accumulated to 104,000 half-chests. The export to Europe is 7,658,000 lbs.

Mr. G. H. Hubbard writes from Sharp Peak on the 25th—

The second heavy typhoon of the season was blowing great gales here August 18, 19, and did more damage than the first of two weeks previous. The sanatorium of the Zenana Society suffered most in loss of tiles and plastering, while the residence of the head Chinese of the Cable and Telegraph (E.E.T.) Office had its roof entirely taken off. The mason wants \$1,200 Mex. to put it in shape again; no other specially great damage was done to buildings here. The natives who are accustomed to dive at this season in deep water for the big yellow oysters are in distress again. Last year four persons were attacked by some sort of sea monster and three of these died of their wounds. Two have been set upon this month. One escaped with a cut in his hand, the other had his legs so badly mangled that he was only able to grasp when dragged into the boat, and with the words "Ai-ai ai-ai! oma!" "Alas! alas! O Mother!" he expired. The natives say the monster is a "sea-dog" (hai-keng) and describe it as having two long arms with claws, a tail like a lobster, and two paddles behind. They say they have caught such in their nets. One would go quite a way to see it but had rather not meet it while bathing, but as it seems to keep in deep water we are not yet greatly frightened. A small boy, while herding goats, claims to have seen one sporting on the surface of the water a few days ago.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[VIA CEYLON.]

VENEDUA.

London, 20th August.

Some French, German, and Italian merchants in Venezuela have been imprisoned for refusing to pay to President Castro's Government taxes which had already been paid to the insurgents.

BRITAIN AND THE COLONIES.

London, 21st August.

One more remark only. One or two of the better players have not turned up yet. How will it be possible to pick the strongest team if these do not make every effort to come down and get into practice? It only handicaps the selection committee. There are of course business reasons which must sometimes keep men out of the field. But it is to be hoped that all who have a chance of getting into the team bearing in mind that less than two weeks and a half are to elapse before the chosen side starts for Shanghai, will make a special effort to assert their claims to a place.

OMPAK.

PROPOSED SALE OF A MANILA HOTEL.

We learn from Manila papers that there is considerable opposition to the Government's proposal to purchase the Hotel Oriente. At a public discussion of the Bill providing for the acquisition of the property, the objections to the purchase were voiced by the American, Spanish and Filipino Chambers of Commerce. The price at which the Government proposed to purchase the property is \$375,000, and it is intended to use the building as post office as well as for other Governmental purposes. The Government is at present paying \$64,480 Mex. a year as rent for the offices accommodating the department which it is proposed to transfer to the hotel property. The objections to the purchase were, briefly, that the site is inconvenient for a post office and that a general inflation of real estate values will result from the purchase of the property at the price named. It appears that the Government does not contemplate occupying the property for more than four or five years, and it is contended that the Government could build superior offices more cheaply and on far more advantageous sites belonging to the Government. The Commission will take the objections into consideration and then decide whether or not the contract shall be closed with the Oriente Hotel Company.

A man who had been victimized once before dropped into an Edinburgh restaurant the other day, and deposited his umbrella in the rack with this note pinned upon it—"I am an accomplished boxer, and my weight is fourteen stones. I am coming back in five minutes." Then he went and laid his hands on with an easy mind. When he sought his umbrella it was gone, but the following note was left in its place—"I am an accomplished sprinter, and can run nine miles an hour. I am not coming back at all."

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* arrived at Shanghai at 10.30 p.m. on the 4th inst., and left again at 8 p.m. on the 5th for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive at 8 a.m. to-morrow.

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JAPAN'S INTEREST IN COREA.

London, 22nd August.

The Times says the economic and political integrity of Corea stands in the very fore-front of Japanese interests and policy. "We have sufficient confidence," it says, "in the essential moderation of Japanese policy not to be apprehensive about an untoward issue, and we believe Japan is prepared to meet more than halfway any genuine attempt of Russia to recognise Japan's legitimate interest in Corea."

ARMY NEWS.

London, 22nd August.

Lord Roberts has ordered 48 rifles to be carried by each battery of Horse and Field Artillery as part of the men's personal equipment.

Major-General Sir H. H. Settle has resigned.

Lieut.-General Sir Archibald Hunter has accepted the Bengal command.

COUNTY CRICKET.

London, 22nd August.

Lancashire beat India by five wickets, and Warwickshire beat Hampshire by 182 runs. The following matches were drawn—Middlesex v. Sussex, Somersetshire v. Surrey, and Kent v. Yorkshire.

POLICE COURT.

Saturday, 5th September.

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH
(POLICE MAGISTRATE).

THEFT OF HOSPITAL CLOTHES.

Lui Kan, who was sentenced recently to four months' hard labour for larceny, and who during his incarceration developed plague and had to be sent to the Kennedytown Hospital, was charged with stealing the clothes he had worn as a patient in the institution; the suit was valued at five dollars.

The defendant pleaded not guilty, but the evidence against him secured his conviction, and he was sentenced to three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

THE STOCKS.

Six months' hard labour and an hour's confinement in the stocks was the sentence passed upon a coolie who stole a cow and a calf at Kowloon City, and who had several previous convictions against him.

BEFORE MR. J. H. KEMP (ACTING POLICE MAGISTRATE).

CLUBBING A CONSTABLE.

On Thursday evening last the chief officer of the Dutch steamer *Simiongen* reported at the Central Police Station that his cabin on board the ship had been entered and 600 guilders, a gold watch and chain, and a five-yen gold piece used as an appendage taken away. He stated that he suspected his "boy," a local youth, of being the guilty person, and acting on this information Detective-Sergeant Munsen sent a plain-clothes *lukong* to the house where the supposed culprit was known to reside. There was only one man, the father of the missing servant, in the house when the *lukong* got there, and he denied all knowledge of him. The *lukong* reported at headquarters to that effect and was instructed to go back to the house and remain there all night to watch for his man's return. Several Chinamen entered in the course of the evening, but none of them answered to the description of the individual wanted, who was still absent when the detective was relieved by another *lukong* in civilian garb. This constable had better luck, for very soon after he had taken up duty the thief, wearing the watch and chain, came in. He did not conceal his identity when the police constable interrogated him and merely enquired who the other was. "I am a constable," said the *lukong*, showing his truncheon to prove his words. He laid the baton on a table close by and proceeded to search the prisoner, who suddenly seized the truncheon and with it dealt the detective a stinging blow over the head. The latter was dazed by the blow, but he held on to his man, and with the assistance of one or two of the inmates of the house succeeded in holding him until the help which had been summoned from the Central arrived, when the struggling captive was removed to the lock-up and subsequently charged. He was sentenced to one month's hard labour for the assault and to six months for the larceny. In the possession of the prisoner's father was found the sum of \$80, which was supposed to be part of the amount obtained for the 600 guilders when they were converted into local currency, but the charge of robbing preferred against him was not proved to his Worship's satisfaction, and it was dismissed.

AMERICAN CHARGED WITH EMBEZZLEMENT.

Robert Murrah, an American in Government service in Manila as a clerk, was formally remanded on a charge of embezzlement within the jurisdiction of the United States. The amount alleged to have been embezzled is not stated in the telegram from Governor Taft which secured the arrest of Murrah on his arrival here on board the *Sangiang*. He had only \$25 gold in his possession, and a cheque for \$18 gold to be presented on his arrival in the United States.

THE AMERICAN COTTON COMMISSION.

London, 21st August.

At a banquet to the Chamber of Commerce delegates at Montreal, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, quoting some of the remarks made by the Duke of Devonshire at the meeting of the Empire League on the 20th July, said: "If the Colonies, though prepared to give an equivalent for any concession Great Britain grants, must also sacrifice some of their political rights, let us go no further, for we have already come to the parting of the ways. It would be a most evil thing if any Colonies consented to surrender any of their Legislative independence, and Canada would not willingly consent, even for the maintenance of the Empire."

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Left Yokohama on the 4th inst., p.m., for Victoria and Vancouver.

THE IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL STEAMER *SEYDLITZ*.

Left Colombo on the 5th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 16th inst.

THE IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL STEAMER *ZIEGEN*.

Left here on the 2nd inst., a.m., arrived at Shanghai on the 4th inst., at 1 p.m.

THE N.Y.K. STEAMER *YAWATA MARU* (AMERICAN LINE).

Left Manila for this port on the 5th inst., and is expected here to-day, a.m.

THE C. & M. STEAMER *ZAFIRO*.

Left Manila on the 5th inst., at 10 a.m., and is due here to-day, at 11 a.m.

THE N.Y.K. STEAMER *KUMANO MARU* (AUSTRALIAN LINE).

Left Nagasaki for this port on the 4th inst., and is expected here to-morrow, a.m.

THE N.Y.K. STEAMER *TOSA MARU* (AMERICAN LINE).

Left Shanghai for this port on the 5th inst., and is expected here to-morrow, a.m.

THE P. & A. STEAMER *INDRAVELL*.

Left Portland, Or., on the 4th inst., via Japan ports, and may be expected here on the 5th prox.

THE BOSTON TOW BOAT CO.'S STEAMER *FLEIDES*.

Left Yokohama for Victoria and Tacoma on the 1st inst.

THE BOSTON TOW BOAT CO.'S STEAMER *HYDER*.

Arrived Victoria, B.C., on the 3rd inst.

THE P. & O. SHIP *SIRIA*.

Left Singapore for this port yesterday, at 8 a.m.

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CHINA IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

THE CHINA EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

On the 3rd August, in the course of a discussion on the Army Estimates, Mr. Lough asked why stores were wanted for the China Expeditionary Force this year.

Lord Stanley informed the hon. member that the China item was partly due to repayments

of India and partly to the cost of the so-called

expeditionary force that was still in China.

TIBET.

On the same day, in reply to Mr. Dillon, Lord George Hamilton said—The negotiations shortly to commence will deal with difficulties

which have arisen in the conduct of trade

between India and Tibet, under the regulations

drawn up and signed by British and Chinese

Commissioners in 1893 to give effect to the

Convention of 1890 between Great Britain and China. The negotiations will also deal with

grazing and other disputes on the northern

frontier of Sikkim and Tibet, which were

laid down in the Convention. As to the

NOTICES OF FIRMS

CHINESE AMERICAN COMMERCIAL COMPANY,
司公美華
IMPORTERS, EXPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS.

THIS Company's Offices are Established at Nos. 20 and 21, CONNAUGHT ROAD opposite Douglas Pier.
Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [1321]

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE,
渣華中國日本荷蘭輪船公司
REGULAR STEAMSHIP LINE FROM JAVA TO CHINA AND JAPAN, AND BACK.

THE HEAD AGENCY of the above Company has been OPENED at No. 3, DUDDELL STREET.
R. BISSCHOP, General Agent.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2507]

EAST ASIATIC TRADING COMPANY
NOTICE.

M. R. A. GOEKE'S authority to SIGN our firm PER PROCLAMATION CEASES from this date.
EAST ASIATIC TRADING COMPANY.
Hongkong, 4th September, 1903. [2505]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA (ORIENTALS S. CO.)

I HAVE This Day ASSUMED CHARGE IN the business of the above Companies in Hongkong.
J. STUART THOMSON,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [2470]

THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.
RICHARD A. McCOURDY, President.

ORGANISED IN 1843.

M. R. GEORGE ECKLEY has been appointed AGENT-DIRECTOR of the above Company and a Branch Office has been Opened in the Hongkong Club Annex, Ground Floor, Chater Road.
By Order,

BASIL H. BETTS,
Special Representative for Hongkong, China and Japan.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [2319]

THOMAS P. HALL,

FOR many years Master in the Service of Douglas Steamship Company, Limited, has the honour to inform the Shipping and Mercantile Community that he has this day established himself as a MARINE SURVEYOR.

OFFICE: 1, PRINCE'S BUILDINGS.
Hongkong, 10th August, 1903. [2316]

NOTICE.

THE HEUNG KONG STEAM-BOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

LI WAI TONG, of Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, Gentleman, formerly a Permanent Director of the above-named Company, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that I no longer hold any Shares in the said Company, that I am no longer a Permanent Director thereof, and that I have severed all connection direct or indirect therewith.
Dated this 21st day of August, 1903. [2311]

LI WAI TONG.

PO ON STEAM-LAUNCH CO. LTD.
NOTICE.

I HAVE this day Resigned my position as General Manager of the Po On Steam-Launched Company, Limited, and have handed over all responsibility to the Committee Messrs. Leung Yuen Hin, Leung Siu Tong, and Leung Hok Lam.
J. V. DUDD.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [2482]

PO ON STEAM-LAUNCH CO. LTD.
NOTICE.

THE Accounts handed over to us by Mr. J. V. Dodd, the former General Manager of the Po On Steam-Launch Company, Limited, on the 31st August, 1903, are satisfactory.
LEUNG HOI LAM,
On behalf of the Company.
Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [2483]

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO., OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL S. S. CO., TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE.

DURING my absence from the Colony, and until further notice, Mr. J. STUART THOMSON will assume Charge of this Agency of the above Companies as Acting Agent, after the sailing of the O. & O. S. C. Dore, 1st September, 1903.
E. W. TILDEN,
Agent.
Hongkong, 31st August, 1903. [2470]

NOTICE.

COSMOPOLITAN HOUSE.

ON account of the expiration of the lease this day, the business of the above establishment is now CLOSED. All Claims to be sent in to the undersigned within one month from date.
KWONG SAM YU,
Connaught House Hotel.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2453]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE SPANISH CONSULATE has this day been REMOVED to No. 20, DES VŒUX ROAD, next to P. & O. S. N. Co.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2462]

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A. R. MARTY.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [2463]

SIENTING.
SURGEON DENTIST.
No. 10, DAGUILLAR STREET.

TERMS VERY MODERATE.
Consultation Free.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1903.

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GOLF FOR EVERYBODY.

I.
THE SPREAD OF GOLF.
BY
MRS. KENNARD.
(Author of "Sporting Tales," &c.)

Only some few years ago, golf was comparatively little heard of. People had a vague idea that it was played with considerable enthusiasm in the North, and that St. Andrews and North Berwick were its headquarters. But their knowledge was limited, and the public at large were more or less ignorant of the game. The last ten years have created a revolution, and golf now boasts quite as many devotees as the time-honoured pastimes of football and cricket. Indeed it is questionable whether its followers are not more numerous, since, in its case, youth, although desirable, is not essential. People can play at every age, and when once they succumb to its fascinations, they are apt to forsake most other forms of amusement. At any rate, their ardour wanes.

ADVANTAGES OF GOLF.

Undoubtedly, the Royal and Ancient game possesses many advantages. To begin with, it is entirely free from any element of danger. Women and children can indulge in its pursuit with absolute safety. Then it is prosecuted in the open air, frequently by the sea-side, but always amid open and hygienic surroundings. Health and recreation go hand in hand. Golf places no undue strain on the physical powers. It is less fatiguing than cycling, less exciting than the nervous system than motorcycling. It is restful and soothing, acting as a gentle stimulant to both bodily and mental activities. Hence, it derives much of its charm. Nevertheless, in spite of fresh air, health-giving breeze, and exercise of an agreeable nature, golf requires something more to account for the extraordinary hold it has taken upon its votaries. The secret of its success lies in the fact that it is eminently a game of skill, in which hand and eye must be trained to act together to a nicely. Once start playing, and the player quickly makes the discovery that he has a life-long problem set him to solve. Each stroke is a study, into which chance should never be allowed to enter. However many hours to may devote to his favorite pastime, he rarely reaches the summit of his ambition. Something baffling and elusive meets him at every turn. Perfection is hard to attain. His driving can always be improved upon, as likewise his putting and approach shots. The game resembles an infinite puzzle, which makes constant demands upon the wits and energies of its worshippers. It is difficult, aggravating and full of variety. Monotony is a word not to be breathed in connection with the pastime. The higher branches of golf are a profession, and must be treated seriously as such. The player gives up almost his whole life to mastering the technical intricacies of the game, and frequently displays astounding talent. It is a wonderful sight to see such an one step up to the teeing ground, cover the ball with a hawk-like eye, swing his driver loosely over it, and then, with towering aim and precision, send it flying in one mighty stroke a distance of over a hundred and fifty yards. Often, the ball lands within a few inches of the desired spot. Only skill of a very high order, combined with much practice and perseverance, can attain such a result. The approach shot is equally beautiful, whilst the player's putting is the admiration of all beholders. Strong, vigorous and young are these men, as rule; with firm carriage, keen eyesight, and elastic step. They are in the prime of manhood. But all are not equally gifted. One reason for the ever-growing popularity enjoyed by golf consists in the fact that when opposed to one another, the worst players are perfectly happy. They derive quite as much pleasure and enjoyment from the pursuit as do their accomplished brethren. Young and old alike catch the enthusiasm, and when once it has been contracted, it is comparatively a rare occurrence to find the foyers shaken off.

THE FEVER OF THE LINKS.

The writer well remembers staying at the principal hotel of St. Andrews. The pilgrimage to this Mecca of golfers was then at its height, and the picturesque little University town was crammed with visitors, eager to make acquaintance—not with its ruined Cathedral, its Castle, its priceless library and archaeological treasures—but with its far more famous Links. From early morn till late at night, these latter were simply crowded with human beings. They swarmed on the green turf, and from the hotel windows they were to be seen moving onwards like a long procession of black ants. They began to play at the matinal hour of six a.m., and went on in a never-ending stream until the shades of evening drove them within doors. Weather possessed hardly any deterrent effect upon the players. In a veritable downpour of rain, they calmly played beneath the sheltering arch of silk umbrellas. At that time, the War was at its height, but does anyone suppose that the successes and reverses of our arms in South Africa, the struggle of Buller or the strategic victories of Roberts formed the topic of conversation? No. Strange to relate, politics news, civil or military, even divorce cases, appeared tabooed by universal agreement, and golf reigned supreme as the sole subject of discussion. Nothing else was talked of. In one corner of the drawing-room, two old, white-haired ladies were wont to converse themselves after dinner. Judging from appearance, they were between sixty and seventy years of age. Knitting, crocheting, inquiries of servants, personal ailments, parochial matters, children and grand-children commented upon! Oh! dear no. "My dear," quoth the elder of the two ladies to her companion, "was it not too abominable for words? I missed my

approach shot just when I was two up, and it lost me the game. Was it not unfortunate?"

"Bad luck!" responded the other sympathetically. "For my part, I made an awful good putt to-day, one of the best I ever made in my life, so I feel quite proud of myself, and really think I am improving. With whom do you play to-morrow?" And she glanced at her friend through gold-rimmed spectacles.

"Oh! with that fat dumpy Mrs. Smith. She fancies she can play, but she can't a bit. I beat her easily. It's a farce our playing together. Now, I should enjoy a game with you. We ought to be about level, eh?"

"I am engaged right up to the end of this week, but I could give you an afternoon after the beginning of next, if that would suit you," was the reply.

"I had thought of going home, but I might stay on an extra day or two."

Whereupon, neto books were produced and solemnly consulted, whilst the two ladies mingled their silvery looks.

At the opposite end of the room, seated side by side on the sofa, were a gentleman and his wife. He was a very old man, not far short of eighty. Yet his eye was bright, his complexion rosy, and he carried himself erect. She was about fifteen years his junior, tall and spare to a gaiety, with scant grey hair parted in severe braids on either side of a high and narrow forehead. Every morning, the attached pair played round together on the ladies' links, and in the afternoon they indulged in a second one. Day after day, they were to be seen chopping the ball about, missing it, swiping at it, yet perfectly happy under all untoward circumstances. They commanded admiration, but sad to say their conversation also was exclusively devoted to golf. They talked enthusiastically about their hits, preferring to draw discreet veil over their many failures. They were comical, albeit pathetic.

EMBRYO GOLFERS.

But, perhaps the prettiest sight of any was to see the children—the embryo golfers of a future generation. What advantages these little people possess over their elders, whom the game only arrived as a revelation a decade ago!

In St. Andrews the juvenile population scorn ordinary toys. To present them with the customary dollies, the tops, whips, and popguns is little short of an insult. Each child must have his driver, his brassies and cleek. It is no rare thing to see a quintette of little ones, playing a foursome, with an animation, an interest, an absorption worthy of the most renowned. A tiny maiden of six summers toddles up to the teeing ground, clad in a stiff white frock and sun-bonnet. She drives at the ball with all her filial strength, and makes a really creditable stroke. She is succeeded by a miniature Highlander, arrayed in kilt and bonnet. He sets his brown, bare legs sturdily apart, squares his shoulders, surveys his adversary's ball with lordly disdain, and with superb freedom manipulates his driver. Alas! for human pride. He digs it deep in the coarse grass. He has missed the ball by an eighth of an inch, and his small opponent utters a shrill cry of exultation. The Highlander retires mortified, to make room for another little maid with flowing yellow hair.

These children are the direct descendants of a long line of golfing parents. Golf becomes with them an hereditary passion. At all hours of the day, the ladies' links are crowded. Fresh-complexioned girls, arrayed in sensible short skirts and bright-coloured blouses, convert them into a moving kaleidoscope. The more advanced players complain of the limitations of the female ground, and are not satisfied unless they make up matches on the long distance bunkers reserved for the male sex. The latter are apt to resent feminine invasion, and any abuse of their masculine prerogative, but the ladies are undaunted and display so much affection for their husbands and brothers, that they refuse to be parted from them.

GOLF PLATED EVERYWHERE.

New golf-links are springing up all over the Kingdom with mushroom-like rapidity. Every seaside resort of any repute now boasts an eighteen-hole—or at least a nine-hole course. From day to day the popularity of the Royal and Ancient games increases by leaps and bounds. Sober people are already beginning to wonder how the world managed to exist prior to the introduction of golf. They ask themselves, if the tendency of the age does not lean a trifle too much towards games of every description. In olden days, they were looked upon merely as recreation to be lawfully indulged in after the legitimate work of the day was accomplished. Games were not considered the be-all and end-all of life.

But in these times, so great is the passion for amusement, that hours and hours are devoted to the cultivation of football, cricket, golf and similar pastimes, which, in many instances, might be more profitably spent. We have all read Rudyard Kipling's strictures, which occasioned

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Sept. 4, BRAMBLE, British gunboat, from Practice.
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Sept. 4, TAIBAH, British str., 1,121, J. D. Jenkins, Saigon 31st August, Meal and Rice.—BRADLEY & CO.
Sept. 5, AGAMEMNON, British str., 4,461, H. Nish, Liverpool and Singapore 31st Aug.—General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 5, ARI, British str., 1,905, W. H. Gibson, Karatsu 30th Aug., Cons.—M. K. KAISHA, Amoy 9th September, General—DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.
Sept. 5, HAINUN, British str., 130, T. Gibson, Swatow 4th Sept., General—DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.
Sept. 5, HANOL French str., 739, P. Morelles, Haiphong and Hoihow 4th Sept., General—R. MARTY.
Sept. 5, HUAN, British str., 1,143, Frazier, Ilolo 31st August, Sugar.—CHINESE.
Sept. 5, SENOIANO, British str., 1,921, A. W. Outerbridge, Manila 2nd September, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 5, TELEMACUS, British str., 4,830, J. H. Goodwin, Puget Sound via Yokohama and Moji 1st Sept., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 5, WONGKOK, German str., 1,115, W. Rohr, Bangkok 30th August, Rice—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 5, WONGUNG, British str., 1,140, M. Dawson, Shanghai 1st September, General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 6, ANPING MAHU, Japanese str., 1,053, I. Goto, Foochow via Amoy and Swatow 3rd Sept., General—OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.
Sept. 6, AUSTRIAN, French str., 6,569, H. Verner, Marseilles 9th Aug. and Saigon 3rd Sept., Mail and General—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
Sept. 6, BANGKOK, German str., 1,237, F. Busch, Bangkok 30th August, Rice—ORDER.
Sept. 6, BOMRAY MARU, Japanese str., 4,600, T. Murai, Moji 2d September, General—NIIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.
Sept. 6, CATHERINE APEK, British str., 1,730, A. Stewart, Calcutta 2nd Aug. and Straits 31st General.—D. SAUSSON SONS & CO.
Sept. 6, EMMA LUYKEN, German str., 2,600, H. Martens, Saigon 2nd Sept., rice—E. A. TRADING CO.
Sept. 6, FOOCHEONG, British str., 1,280, H. Smale, Foochow 31st Aug., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 6, HAITAN, British str., 1,183, J. S. Roach, Foochow 3rd Sept., Amoy and Swatow 5th Sept., General—DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.
Sept. 6, INDOMEANS, British str., 4,238, Robt. Day, Saigon 3d Sept., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.
Sept. 6, TAICHENG, German str., 828, Weibking, Moji 31st Aug., Coal—MEYER & CO.
Sept. 6, TINGBANG, British str., 1,043, Anderson Newchwang 30th Aug. and Swatow 5th September, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.

CLEARANCES
AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.

5th September.
Daigai Maru, Japanese str., for Swatow.
Hainan, British str., for Swatow.
Hikosan Maru, Japanese str., for Moji.
Jupiter, British str., for Singapore.
Nordkun, Norwegian str., for Shanghai.
Shantung, British str., for Amoy.
Shokon Maru, Japanese str., for Moji.
Ulraad, Norwegian str., for Shui-wan-Yuen.
Yochen, British str., for Shanghai.

DEPARTURES.

5th September.
Awa Maru, Japanese str., for Singapore.
Cabi, DIEDRICHSEN, German str., for Singapore.
C. FRED. LAMZ, German str., for Calcutta.
CHOTSANG, British str., for Canton.
DUCALION, British str., for Seattle.
DU, Portuguese gunboat, for Macao.
ELITA NOSEACH, German str., for Canton.
HALLAN, French str., for Pakho.
KOUN MANU, Japanese str., for Kobe.
KUMSANG, British str., for Calcutta.
LALPOORA, British str., for Amoy.
REUB, British str., for Manila.
SHANTUNG, German str., for Shanghai.
TIENTSIN, British str., for Bombay.
6th September.
ALLIOR, British battleship, for Weihsien-WEIHSIEN.
ARGONAUT, British cruiser, for home.
BAIGI MARU, Japanese str., for Tamsui.
HAJUN, British str., for Swatow.
WOOSONG, British str., for Canton.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

5th September.
ABERDEEN DOCKS.—
KOWLOON DOCKS.—Pembrokeeshire, Hygeia, Hygeia, Madizura Maru, Olympia, Holstein, Cosmopolitan DOCK.—Changela, Helen Wyman, Gathrie.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Catherine Apek from Calcutta 22nd Aug. and Straits 31st, had light S.W. monsoon to Paracels; thence to port light northerly breeze and fine clear weather. On 5th August, spoke 4-m. barque Comet, bound S.S.W. in lat. 20° 23' N., long. 115° 41' E.
The British steamer Haidan, from Foochow 3rd Sept., Amoy 4th and Swatow 5th, had calm and light westerly gales with fine clear weather to Amoy. From Amoy to Swatow light S.W. wind and rain squalls. From Swatow to port moderate S.E. winds, rain and squalls. Vessel's in Foochow—Hatching; in Amoy—Mogul, Singan, Fooing, Kwangse, Nor and Hunan; in Swatow—Sir Sultan Van Langkat, German gunboat Tiger and S.M.C. cruiser Koipan.

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THE Steamship

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Captain Misgurni, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 11th inst., at Noon.
At Bombay, the Steamer is discharging in Victoria Dock.

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1903. [14]

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"BRAEMAR" ... 12th Sep.

"SATSUMA" ... 23rd Sep.

"SHIMOSA" ... 10th Oct.

"KURDISTAN" ... 27th Oct.

"RICHMOND CASTLE" ... 7th Nov.

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Hongkong, 4th September, 1903. [112]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT—POSTS FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR

SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA,

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LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX,

ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 8th September, 1903, at

1 P.M., the Company's Steamship

"SALAZIE," Captain Negre, with

Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for Marseilles via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit, through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON only on Monday, the 7th September. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars apply at the Company's Office.

G. de CHANTEAUX,

Agent.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1903. [12]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUS-

TRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT,

MEDITERRANEAN PORTS,

PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR

BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL,

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Captain W. W. Cooke, R.N.R., carrying His

Majesty's Mail, will be despatched from this

for Bombay, etc., on SATURDAY, the 12th

SEPTEMBER, at NOON, taking passengers

and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and

Tea for London (under arrangement) will be

transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceed-

ing direct to Marseilles and London; other

cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via

Bombay.

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4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and

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Shippers are particularly requested to note

the terms and conditions of the Company's

Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. PEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [11]

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STEAM FOR

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LEVANT, VENICE and ADRIATIC PORTS.)

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Captain Craggieto, will be despatched as above

on SATURDAY, the 19th September, P.M.

This Steamer has capital accommodation for

Passengers, Electric Light and a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

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Agents.

Princess Buildings.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1903. [13]

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SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

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PORTS, and taking through cargo to ADE-

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THE Steamship

"EASTERN."

Captain W. H. Ellis, will be despatched for the

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This well-known Steamer is specially fitted

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ber which ensures the supply of fresh provi-

sions, ice, &c. throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with

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A stewardess and a duly qualified surgeon are carried.

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electric fans fitted in staterooms.

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Hongkong, 23rd August, 1903. [249]

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OUTWARDS.

FROM STEAMERS
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "JASON" DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "PAK LING" On 17th September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "CALCHAS" On 23rd September.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "TANTALUS" On 1st October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "ANTEGOR" On 7th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... "OANFA" On 24th October.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL... On 27th October.

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TO SAIL
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ANTWERP... "KINTUCK" On 15th September.
LIVERPOOL... "PINGSUEY" On 22nd September.
MARESEILLES, LONDON and
ANTWERP... "GLAUCUS" On 29th September.
MARESEILLES, LONDON and
ANTWERP... "AGAMEMNON" On 13th October.
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ANTWERP... "PAK LING" On 27th October.
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Hongkong, 7th September, 1903.

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FOR STEAMERS
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MANILA "CHANGSHA" On 8th September.
PORT DARWIN, THURSDAY
ISLAND COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE,
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE "CHANGSHA" On 8th September.
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Steamship	Captain	Tons	Sailing Date.
"ROHILLA MARU"	E. P. Bishop	8369	Tuesday, 8th September, at NOON.
"ROSETTA MARU"	H. S. Smith	8376	Tuesday, 15th September, at 11 A.M.

For freight or passage, apply at the Company's Office, 3, Queen's Building, Ice House Street.
Hongkong, 3rd September, 1903.

K. NAKASHIMA, Manager. [478]

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THE Steamship

"NORDKYN," Captain A. Bess,
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For freight, apply to
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Hongkong, 31st August, 1903. [2440]

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Captain Samuel Bell Smith.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "INDRASAMHA"
FROM PORTLAND (ORE.) YOKOHAMA,
KOBE, AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Con-

signment of cargo are hereby requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature
and to take immediate delivery of their
goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No fire insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 31st August, 1903. [17]

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship

"ZIETEN,"

OF THE NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD,

having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods, with the exception of opium, treasure and valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before noon, to day, the 1st inst.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 8th September will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, the 8th September, at 9.30 A.M.

All claims must reach us before the 14th September, or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance has been effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by
NORDDEUTSCHE LLOYD.
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [5]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

AND

CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"DEUCALION"

are hereby notified that the cargo is being discharged into craft and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., where in both cases it will lie at consignees' risk. The cargo will be ready for delivery from craft or Godown after the 3rd instant.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 9th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the steamer's Godown, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 9th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 16th inst., or they will not be recognized.

No fire insurance has been effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [10-12]

AMERICAN ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK, STRAITS AND
MANILA.

THE Steamship

"NORDKYN,"

Captain A. Bess, having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 8th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th inst., at 2.30 P.M.

No fire insurance has been effected.

Bills of lading will be countersigned by
SHEW-N, TOMES & CO.,
General Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd September, 1903. [247]

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

S.S. "LOTHIAN,"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, YOKOHAMA
AND MOJI.

THE above steamer having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of their goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel
will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.

No fire insurance will be effected by me in
any case whatever.

J. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [1468]

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE
ITALIANA.

(Florio and Rubattino United Companies.)

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BOMBAY AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship

"ISCHIA,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whose delivery may be obtained.

All damage or packages must be left in the Godowns, and a certificate obtained from the Godown Company, within seven days after the vessel's arrival here, after which no claim will be recognized.

No fire insurance has been effected, and any goods remaining in the Godowns after the 11th instant will be subject to rent.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1903. [4]

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PHOTOGRAPHIC

M. MUMEYA, JAPANESE ARTIST.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The Empress of Japan, with the Canadian Mail, left Shanghai on Saturday, the 5th inst., at 5 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 9 a.m.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	FROM	DATE
Canton	Hondam	7th, 9.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Meefoo	7th, 1.00 P.M.
Macao	Heungshan	7th, 2.15 P.M.
Shanghai	Kingsing	7th, 3.00 P.M.
Shangchow and Chinkiang	Yochow	7th, 4.00 P.M.
Shangchow	Tungkong	7th, 4.00 P.M.
Ayr	Wingchow	7th, 4.00 P.M.
Amoy	Leiwing	7th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore	Tai Chau	7th, 5.00 P.M.
Batavia	Palshon	7th, 5.00 P.M.
Surabaya	Hailong	8th, 8.00 A.M.
Amoy and Tamsui	Simongan	8th, 8.00 A.M.
Amoy, Singapore, Batavia, Samarang and Sourabaya	Haitan	8th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow		Tuesday, 8th.
Europe, &c., India via Tucicin	Printed matter and samples	9.45 A.M.
(Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M.) Extra Postage 10 cents.	Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.30 A.M.)	9.45 A.M.
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)	Letters	10.45 A.M.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO.	Nippon Maru	10.45 A.M.
(Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)		
Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang	Chinsayn	Tuesday, 8th, 2.00 A.M.
Manila	Rohills Maru	Tuesday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cocktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne	Chengsha	Tuesday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, B.C., & Seattle	Shinano Maru	Tuesday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Tiontsin	Wasanji	Tuesday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.
Durban	Crown of Aragon	Tuesday, 8th, 3.00 P.M.

TO-DAY.

Sale, Miscellaneous, Sales Rooms, Messrs. Hughes & Hough, 11 a.m.
Sale, Household Furniture, "Bangor," Peak, Mr. Geo. P. Lammett, 11 a.m.
Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of the Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd., noon.
Sale, Ground, Salerooms, Mr. Geo. P. Lammett, 3 p.m.
Sale, Crown Land, Public Works Department, 3 p.m.
General Meeting of Hongkong Philharmonic Society, City Hall, 5.30 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

5th September.

ON LONDON.—	Telegraphic Transfer	1/10/-
	Bank Bills, on demand	1/10/-
	Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	1/10/-
	Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight	1/10/-
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	1/10/-
	Documentary Bills, 4 months' sight	1/10/-
ON PARIS.—		
	Bank Bills, on demand	237
	Credits, at 4 months' sight	240
ON GERMANY.—	On demand	192
ON NEW YORK.—		
	Bank Bills, on demand	451
	Credits, at 60 days' sight	462
ON BOMBAY.—	Telegraphic Transfer	140/-
	Bank, on demand	140/-
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer	140/-
	Bank, on demand	140/-
ON SHANGHAI.—	Bank, at sight	72
	Private, 30 days' sight	73
ON YOKOHAMA.—	On demand	91
ON MANILA.—	On demand	Nominal
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand	Nominal
ON BATAVIA.—	On demand	113
ON HALIFAX.—	On demand	2 p.m.
ON SAIGON.—	On demand	12 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—	On demand	621
	SOVEREIGN, Bank's Buying Rate	810.70
	G.D. LEAR, 109 fine, per tael	76.20
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OPIUM.

5th September.

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Mala New	\$260	per picoul
Mala Old	\$1010	to
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Persian Old	\$1100	to
Banars New	\$1100	to
Banars Old	—	to

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer Empress of Japan arrived at Shanghai at 10.30 p.m. on the 4th inst., and left again at 8 p.m. on the 5th for Hongkong, where she is due to arrive at 9 a.m. to-morrow.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The Indo-China steamer Nanjing left Calcutta for this port, via the Straits, on the 28th ult., and may be expected here on the 14th inst.

THE GERMAN MAIL.

The Imperial German mail steamer Seydlitz left Colombo on the 5th inst., p.m., and may be expected here on the 16th inst.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. steamer Copic left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 18th ult.

The T.K.K. steamer America left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 26th ult.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. steamer Yawata Maru (Australian Line) left Manila for this port on the 5th inst., and is expected here to-day, a.m.

The C. & M. steamer Zaito left Manila on the 5th inst., at 10 a.m., and is due here to-day, at 11 a.m.

The P. & O. steamer Pekin left Singapore for this port on the 1st inst., at 2 p.m.

The N.Y.K. steamer Kawan Maru (Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 4th inst., and is expected here to-morrow, a.m.

The N.Y.K. steamer Tosa Maru (American Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 5th inst., and is expected here to-morrow.

The C.N. steamer Chingtu, from Australia, left Port Darwin on the 29th ult. for this port via Manila, and is expected here on the 29th inst.

The P. & O. Simla left Singapore for this port on the 6th inst., at 8 a.m.

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